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In order to facilitate railroad transport across the Damube, the Russians have built floating pontoons in Rumania. These pontoons are made up of several barges which are joined together and rails laid across them. In this way entire trains can be transported. The pontoons are equipped with motors for maneuvering purposes,

2. The Bulgarians also possess a number of these barges at Ruse and other places on the Danube.

but they have to be towed when going upstream.

- 3. The Bulgarian ferry-boat "Sofia" is at Ruse. It was built in Germany in 1940, has two Diesel engines of 325 horsepower each, and is 65 meters long and 15 meters wide.
- 4. In late September 1946, it was reported that the Bulgarian pontoon battalion at Bikopol had sufficient material to throw a bridge across the Danube.

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